# KENTUCKY BOARD OF REGISTRATION FOR PROFESSIONAL GEOLOGISTS MEETING MINUTES April 7, 2014

A meeting of the Kentucky Board of Registration for Professional Geologists was held at the Office of Occupations and Professions on April 7, 2014.

MEMBERS PRESENT OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Larry R. Rhodes, Chair Lindsey Lane, Board Administrator Gil Cumbee Gordon Slone, Executive Director

James Cobb, Ph.D. Gerald Lang, Resource Management Analyst

Stephen Wyatt

**OTHERS** 

Brian Judy, Office of the Attorney General

### CALL TO ORDER

Larry R. Rhodes, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

### **MINUTES**

A motion was made by Dr. Cobb to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2014 meeting, as presented. Motion, seconded by Mr. Wyatt, carried.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The financial statements for the months ending February and March 2014 were presented to the Board for review. The Board acknowledged the financial statement as presented.

### REPORT FROM O&P

Executive Director Gordon Slone spoke to the Board about the Memorandum of Agreement process that the Board has with the Office of Occupations and Professions. Mr. Slone explained the Board did receive a slight increase in their fees to O&P. Each Board within O&P is required to have an MOA with the office as that is how the office is funded. The Boards counsel, Brian Judy had some questions regarding the contract and asked Mr. Slone to provide some answers. The Board requested that there be more specific categories under services provided and that the contract include dates for which it begins and ends. Mr. Judy advised the Board to not submit the contract until those items were addressed. Dr. Cobb made a motion to approve and have Mr. Rhodes sign the MOA once those items were addressed. Mr. Cumbee seconded that motion and it carried.

Mr. Slone introduced Gerald Lang to the Board as the offices newest employee. Mr. Lang is the new Resource Management Analyst and will be handling all website functions and providing web support to the Boards and staff at O&P. The office is in the process of hiring a new Administrative Specialist for the Operations Section and hopes to have that completed soon.

## **LEGAL COUNSEL**

Mr. Judy had no report for the April meeting.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Dr. Cobb informed the Board that there is an issue regarding the new online roster that the Board created through the help of the Geological Survey in September. There are roster participants that are being contacted for consulting that are not available for consulting or are unable due to their

employment. The Board discussed adding a box to each participant's information that advised whether or not they would be available for consulting. This would eliminate the problem but would have to be approved and designed by the people that created the roster at the Survey. Dr. Cobb will speak with them to see what the Boards options are at this time. Mr. Wyatt made a motion to have the Survey add a field that shows the Registrant is NOT available for consulting. Mr. Cumbee seconded that motion and it carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Judy presented the language for the Administrative Subpoena Regulation that he has drafted for the Board to review. Mr. Judy had previously emailed this to all members to review before the meeting. Since the Board is in need of this immediately, Mr. Judy expressed interest in having this filed as an Emergency Regulation that would need to be signed by the Governor before it goes into effect and the permanent regulation would be filed at the same time with the Legislative Research Commission to go through the regulatory process. Mr. Wyatt made a motion to proceed with the Emergency Regulation and the ordinary Regulation for subpoena powers. Dr. Cobb seconded that motion and it carried. Mr. Cumbee abstained from the vote.

### **APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE**

The applications committee reviewed three (3) applications for Registration as Professional Geologists. The applications for Jennifer Phillippe, John Hansen, and David Sugar were approved through comity. There were no (0) applications for a Geologist-In-Training. Mr. Cumbee moved to accept those recommendations submitted by the Applications Committee.

## **COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE**

The Complaints Committee made recommendations for the following pending complaints:

#2011-01 – ongoing – Mr. Wyatt made a motion for Mr. Judy to send a subpoena to obtain information previously requested for this case. Mr. Rhodes seconded that motion. Mr. Cumbee recused himself from the vote.

# TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

Dr. Cobb made a motion to approve the travel and per diem for members attending today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Mr. Cumbee, carried.

### **NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on June 2, 2014 at the Office of Occupations and Professions.

### **ADJOURN**

Dr. Cobb made a motion to adjourn at 2:05p.m., having no further items of discussion. The motion, seconded by Mr. Wyatt, carried.

Larry Rhodes, Board Chair

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